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Providence commemorates five years of community policing.

Mayor David Cicilline and Colonel Dean Esserman lead a parade of police officers and community leaders in February, commemorating five years of community policing in the city. Over the past five years, the Police Department has opened community police stations in nine districts to more fully serve the neighborhoods of the city and integrate police work with community issues.

Mayor Cicilline and Chief Esserman marked the five-years of community policing by recognizing people and organizations that have made the program a success with *Community Partner Awards*: Margaret Holland McDuff, CEO, Family Service of Rhode Island; Teny Gross, Executive Director, Institute for the Study and Practice of Nonviolence; Hillary Salmons, Executive Director, Providence After School Alliance; Barbara Fields, Senior Program Director, Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC); Patrick McGuigan, Executive Director, The Providence Plan.

District Lieutenants nominated for recognition community partners in their districts: District one - Frank LaTorre, Director, Downtown Improvement District (DID); District 2 - George Lindsey, Director, Davey Lopes Recreation Center; District 3 - Cynthia Springer, President, Washington Park Neighborhood Association; District 4 - Kari Lang, Executive Director, West Broadway Neighborhood Association; District 5 - Robinson Alston, Jr., President, Olneyville Housing Corporation; District 6 - Michael Correia, President, Providence Crime Watch; District 7 - Richard Kless, President, Office of Campus Living, Providence College; District 8 - Raymond Watson, Executive Director, Mount Hope Neighborhood Association and District 9 - John Britto, Athletic Director, Fox Point Boys Club.